

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 6, 8, 9, and 12 have been amended. Claims 1-15 are pending in the present application.

Claim rejections under 35 USC §112:

The Examiner objected to claims 6 and 13 for failing to provide antecedent basis for the term "indicated slot." Applicant amended the claims 2, 6, 9, and 13 to more clearly define that each slot is one of the receiving locations .

Claim rejection under 35 USC §102 and §103:

The Examiner rejected all claims either under 35 USC §102(b) or under 35 USC §103(b). In particular, the Examiner pointed out that certain limitations on which Applicant relied in his arguments presented in the last office action response were not included in the claims. Applicant respectfully disagrees. However, to further prosecution, Applicant amended the independent claims 1 and 8 to more precisely define the present invention according to the arguments presented in the last response to office action. To this end, the arguments presented in the last office action response are hereby incorporated by reference.

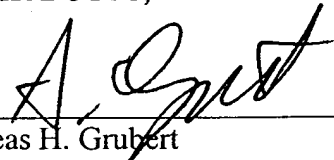
CONCLUSION

The application as defined in the pending claims is patentable under 35 U.S.C. §102 and §103 in view of the cited prior art. Therefore, applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection and allowance of all pending claims.

Applicants do not believe that any other fees are due at this time; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to this document, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct the fees from Deposit Account No. 02-0383, (*formerly Baker & Botts, L.L.P.*) Order Number 071308.0415.

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